GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:347
ANSWERED ON:03.02.2017
Training for Practitioners of AYUSH to Prescribe Allopathic Medicine
Noor Smt. Mausam

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to impart a six month training for practitioners of AYUSH to prescribe allopathic medicine in rural primary health centres and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has examined the objections and concerns raised by the public as well as the practitioners of allopathy and if so, the action taken thereon;

(c) whether any professional body or allopathy practitioners raised concerns against the proposal and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government is considering to constitute an expert panel to address the issue in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)
(a): Practice of Allopathic Medicine comes under Indian Medical Council (IMC) Act, 1956 and regulations, 2002 under clause 1.1.3 "No person other than a doctor having qualification recognized by Medical Council of India (MCI) and registered with MCI/ state medical councils is allowed to practice Modern system of Medicine or Surgery. A person obtaining qualification in any other system of Medicine is not allowed to practice Modern System of Medicine in any form." However, practice of concern system is also regulated under State Practitioners Act of each state. As per information available some states under their State Ayush Practitioners Act have allowed the practitioners of ASU&H system to practice Allopathic Medicine.
(b): Ministry of AYUSH has not received any objection.
(c): The Medical Council of India (MCI) is of the firm view that any such suggestions would be detrimental to the cause of practicing of 'Modern medicine'. The Indian Medical Association (IMA) has also opposed the practicing of 'modern medicine' by AYUSH doctors.
(d): No.